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(k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 16, 1941.

Personal.

Mr. E.A.Tamm,
3353 Runnymede Place, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Mr. Tamm:

I have hesitated about bringing up the following matter as I am sure you are acquainted with the possibility and are taking the proper steps to circumvent this danger but if true, it is too serious to pass up.

Several times recently, the well established rumor comes to me that the Party has established and placed contacts in the offices of all Intelligence Departments in Washington such as the Military and Naval Intelligence, the Treasury Department and particularly the File Room of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. And that they are particularly watching for and identifying names of informants. This, of course, would be the logical story to spread as a deterrent to this kind of work.

And the story continues that certain individuals under suspicion of doing this kind of work are being fed certain information and then a careful watch being kept to see where it shows up. Incidentally it appears sure that this procedure actually has taken place with some of Walter Winchell's sources of information.

Anyhow I am passing it on to you for whatever you think it is worth. And I have told all those whom I contact to keep this in mind in the hopes that we can pick up definite information of persons so placed, particularly in what Department and what Office.

Sincerely,

Peter Clapper
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October 10, 1941

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Mr. J. E. Clegg
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Clegg:

The Bureau is repeatedly receiving information emanating from Communist sources in the New Orleans area that the Communist Party has succeeded in placing members in several of the Government Departments. Information is received from time to time specifically alleging that the Communist Party has succeeded in placing certain of its members in the file rooms of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and has also succeeded in placing such members in Military and Naval Intelligence. I wish you would, through the source available to the New Orleans Office, make a diligent effort to run down these allegations in an effort to obtain some specific data concerning any members of the Communist Party employed.

I cannot emphasize too strongly the necessity of giving this matter your most vigorous and careful attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

New Orleans, Louisiana
November 13, 1941

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY ACTIVITIES.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your Personal and Confidential letter dated October 10, 1941, in which you advised that the Bureau is repeatedly receiving information emanating from Communist sources in the New Orleans area that the Communist Party has succeeded in placing members in several of the Government departments and that information is received from time to time specifically alleging that the Communist Party has succeeded in placing certain of its members in the file rooms of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and has also succeeded in placing such members in the Military and Naval Intelligence.

In view of the fact that Special Agent [redacted] of the New Orleans office has been engaged in the handling of Communist Party activities at New Orleans having supervision of Confidential Informants of the New Orleans office who are members of the Communist Party and being in close touch with representatives of the Naval Intelligence assigned to investigations of Communist Party matters, I had Special Agent [redacted] conduct discreet inquiries with respect to the matters mentioned in your letter.

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The clerical personnel of the New Orleans Field Office from my observation and information furnished by Special Agent [redacted] is without question one hundred per cent loyal to the Bureau and, of course, the Special Agents formerly and presently assigned to the New Orleans office have been one hundred per cent loyal to the Bureau. None of these employees have Communistic tendencies.

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Special Agent [redacted] informs me that [redacted] agent, Office of the Naval Intelligence, Eighth Naval District, New Orleans, Louisiana, has been engaged, in addition to other duties, in the investigations of Communist Party of Louisiana activities for several years and that [redacted] has proven himself not only to be exceptionally competent in this work but loyal in every sense to his department and to the United States Government. His cooperation in matters pertaining to general subversive activities has been indeed gratifying to the Bureau. It might be mentioned that [redacted]

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[redacted] of New Orleans, Louisiana, [redacted] Special Agent [redacted] is [redacted] of the investigating section of the Naval Intelligence at New Orleans and under [redacted] is [redacted] formerly a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The loyalty to the United States Government of these two individuals is in my mind beyond reproach. b7C

Special Agent [redacted] informs me that he very discreetly discussed with the representatives of the Naval Intelligence the possibility of members of subversive organizations, particularly the Communist Party, U. S. A., securing appointments with the Navy Department and that information was given that applicants for any position in the Navy Department, Eighth Naval District, New Orleans, Louisiana, are thoroughly investigated, particularly as to any affiliation of such applicants with subversive organizations before they are recommended for appointment.

The personnel of the Military Intelligence at New Orleans, Louisiana, which works out of Atlanta, Georgia, consists of [redacted] and a civilian employee named [redacted] These two men are without doubt loyal to the United States Government. The investigations of the Military Intelligence with respect to Communist Party activities are very limited. [redacted] calls at the New Orleans office at different times in connection with matters in which the Military Intelligence and this Bureau have mutual interest. b7C

Special Agent [redacted] informs me that Confidential Informants [redacted] although members of the Communist Party of Louisiana, are loyal citizens of the United States; that these Confidential Informants advised, on being discreetly interviewed, that practically all active members of the Communist Party of Louisiana are known to them and that none of these persons are associated in any way with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Military Intelligence or Naval Intelligence. b2 b7C

Special Agent [redacted] advised me that under the pretext of securing general information on Communist Party activities in New Orleans, Louisiana, and elsewhere, he called on [redacted] of the Railway Audit and Inspection Company, 1700 Masonic Temple Building, New Orleans, Louisiana. As is known to the Bureau the Railway Audit and Inspection Company, which is engaged in private investigative work, has been very cooperative with the Bureau in the past in connection with b7D

Communist Party activities. Special Agent [redacted] informs me that during the interview or discussion [redacted] remarked that he had an informant in the Communist Party at New Orleans who made reports to him and that although he did not think it advisable to furnish the Federal Bureau of Investigation at New Orleans with information as to routine activities of the party he would furnish information on matters of importance to the New Orleans Field Office. Agent [redacted] states further that during the general discussion, much to his surprise, [redacted] remarked that he, [redacted] was a loyal American citizen and felt it his duty to cooperate with the Government, but that he had to be very careful about any information which he gave to the Government on account of it getting into the hands of the Communists as the Communist Party had plants in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and in other departments of the Government. Further, [redacted] remarked that the Communists had their men in the file rooms of the Government. Special Agent [redacted] informs me that [redacted] was asked whether he had any information as to Communist Party members being associated with the clerical or file room personnel of the New Orleans Field Office of this Bureau and in response [redacted] stated, "Why, probably not at New Orleans but probably at Washington, D. C., and probably in any office of the FBI in the country". Special Agent [redacted] informs me that he asked [redacted] for the names and locations of such Communist Party members and in response [redacted] stated that he did not possess the names of any persons so employed nor could he tell at just what places such persons were employed. Further Special Agent [redacted] tells me that [redacted] from his remarks, seemed to believe or be under the impression that the plant or plants of the Communist Party were within the Bureau office at Washington, D. C.; also that [redacted] remarked that we should be careful about the kind of information we turned over to the Naval Intelligence. Special Agent [redacted] informs me that [redacted] was specifically asked if he had any direct or specific information as to whether Communist Party members were planted in the Naval Intelligence at any place and that in response [redacted] went on to say that he did not know of the names of such persons and then he talked at length about a person with Communistic tendencies who was being investigated by the Naval Intelligence for a position with the Navy Department. [redacted] indicated during the discussion that he had no additional information to offer as to that person who was being investigated.

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Special Agent [redacted] advises me that he asked [redacted] if the information about members of the Communist Party having been planted with various Government departments had come to him from informants and in response [redacted] stated that his informant had given him the information.

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Special Agent [redacted] informs me that [redacted] indicated b7C
that he would not disclose the identity of his informant and again remarked that should his informant furnish information which he believed to be of importance to the Bureau he would submit such information to the New Orleans Field Office in person.

It is thought appropriate in this connection to again advise the Bureau that Confidential Informant [redacted] of the New Orleans Field Office is a member of the [redacted] Communist Party of Louisiana [redacted] the Communist Party of Louisiana [redacted] at the office of the Communist Party of Louisiana, Room 417 Godchaux Building, New Orleans, Louisiana. Also this Confidential Informant [redacted] Confidential Informant [redacted] Confidential Informant [redacted] of the Communist Party of Louisiana. [redacted] b2 b7C b7D the Communist Party of Louisiana [redacted] the secretary of the Communist Party of Louisiana, and other leading or active members. The information as to these informants is given to show or to properly apprise the Bureau of the position these informants are in to ascertain and report the activities of the party in Louisiana. Special Agent [redacted] informs me that the [redacted] informants mentioned advised him that the Communist Party of Louisiana through its secretary or other members has not planted any members in any governmental agency. Confidential Informant [redacted] particularly has furnished information from time to time on certain employees of various branches of the Government receiving literature of the Communist Party and contributing to certain funds of the party. These informants have from time to time furnished information relative to members of the Communist Party being in the employ of the Works Progress Administration and information as to members of the party who were drafted into the Army and information as to the employment of Communist Party members by firms having Government contracts. Confidential Informant [redacted] states that there is a possibility that members of the Communist Party in other sections of the United States or sympathizers of the party have secured positions with governmental agencies but that to his knowledge such matters have not been discussed by the secretary or other members of the Communist Party of Louisiana.

Of course, the Bureau is advised that the entire matter was very discreetly handled with the Confidential Informants of the New Orleans office and no indication was given to them that information had been received that reports had been received by the Bureau of Communist Party plants in governmental agencies.

It is my intention to keep in touch with [redacted] b7C of the Railway Audit and Inspection Company, New Orleans, from time to time for information in connection with Communist Party activities and for any information he might have to offer in connection with the matters which are the basis of this investigation.

Suggestion is made, if consistent, that the Bureau submit to me under Personal and Confidential cover the sources from which the Bureau received the information mentioned in the Bureau's reference letter. These sources might be of assistance to me in running down the allegations to a final conclusion.

Very truly yours,

J. E. CLEGG
Special Agent in Charge

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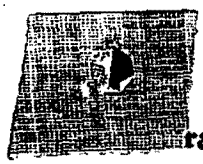

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United States Department of Justice

New Orleans, La.
Nov. 21, 1941.

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ON 3-20-00

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

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Re: COMMUNIST PARTY ACTIVITIES.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your personal and confidential letter dated October 10, 1941, and a reply from this office dated November 13, 1941, regarding information received by the Bureau from Communist sources in the New Orleans area that the Communist Party has succeeded in placing members in several of the Government Departments.

For the further information of the Bureau, I am quoting below a memorandum submitted by Special Agent [redacted] on November 18, 1941:

"Reference is made to letter dated November 13, 1941, written to the Director in the above-entitled matter, which is in connection with letter received from the Bureau regarding reports emanating from Communist sources at New Orleans to the effect that the Communist Party has members planted in the FBI and Military and Naval Intelligence.

On November 14, 1941, I had occasion to meet [redacted] of the Railway Audit and Inspection Company, referred to in letter of November 13, 1941, and during the course of my discussion with him he stated that it took his Confidential Informant eight or nine years to build himself up in the Communist Party and that he could not possibly afford to disclose the identity of that informant. [redacted] indicated that his informant was well up in the Communist Party and was, by Communist Party members, looked upon as a radical and that his informant did as a matter of fact, take active participation in the Communist Party movement. During the interview [redacted] remarked or indicated that he has talked to his informant since he was previously interviewed by the writer and that from information received the Communist Party has not any members planted in any departments at New Orleans but a strong suspicion is that members of the party are planted probably in departments at Washington, D. C., and in offices of the government at various industrial points. [redacted] again remarked that should his informant furnish him with such information which he, [redacted] believed to be of importance to the FBI, he would promptly call at the office in person to submit the same. Otherwise, he did not feel it necessary to report information on general activities of the Communist Party to this office.

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I mentioned to [redacted] that in the next few days I would call on him for any developments in connection with the subject matter and for general information as to Communist Party activities which might be of interest to this Bureau and in response [redacted] very nicely stated that that was not necessary.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Carson
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Holloman
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

as we could feel assured that should any information of importance and of high interest to the Bureau come to his attention he would personally report same to the New Orleans office. I might mention for record that [redacted] impressed me as wanting to definitely conceal the identity of his informant and in addition from his talk he impressed me as having a fear of his informant being disclosed in the event he gave to this office general information furnished to him by the informant.

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No mention, however, was made by the writer to [redacted] about reports having been received by the Bureau which emanated from New Orleans about Communist Party members having been planted in the FBI and other departments of the government. It would not be surprising, however, to learn or receive information at some later date that the information which the Bureau has reference to emanated from [redacted] or persons associated with him. "

Very truly yours,

J. E. Clegg

J. E. Clegg,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

CM:ESK

January 27, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: EFFORTS OF COMMUNIST PARTY TO PLACE MEMBERS IN THE EMPLOY OF THE BUREAU

The following material is being submitted for your information to corroborate information previously received relative to Communist Party members attempting to obtain employment in the Bureau.

Information has been received from the Houston office to the effect that at a meeting of the White Collar Branch of the Communist Party on the night of January 16, 1942, in Houston [redacted] discussed the qualifications of FBI stenographers, saying that the Houston office often contacted the Southwestern Business University in an effort to obtain the same. b7C

The Houston office has advised that [redacted] was employed as a teacher of shorthand by the Southwestern Business University in August, 1941. It is further reported that [redacted] at the above meeting also stated she had been wondering how much information a stenographer in the Federal Bureau of Investigation could obtain and that she was grooming a girl at the above school to obtain a position as a stenographer in the FBI office at Houston. b7C

A check of the present employees of the Houston office has reflected only one as having had any connection with the Southwestern Business University, this one being a male typist. However, he has been eliminated as a suspect because, among other things, he terminated his connections with the above University prior to the time [redacted] entered the employ of that school as a teacher.

The Houston office has advised that [redacted] and her husband are two of the most active Communists in Houston, Texas, and that they have contributed substantial sums to the support of the Party there as members of the White Collar Branch.

ACTION: The Houston office has advised that this matter is being watched very closely and that extreme care is being exercised to prevent any member of the Communist Party in that district from gaining employment with the Bureau.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd

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ADDENDUM: 2/2/42.
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An appropriate bulletin has been prepared to the field, warning them of the Communist Plan.
DML.

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Mr. Tolson
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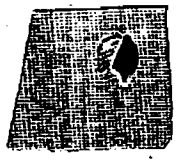

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THE DIRECTOR

RE: [redacted]
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

You will recall my memorandum concerning information received by the New York Field Division from confidential informant [redacted] to the effect that a Communist Party member, New York City, had said, "I would like to get into the FBI and start a Party Unit." You will remember that the Communist Party member making the remark was identified as one [redacted] New York City. b7C b7D

In the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated February 4, 1942, New York City, entitled [redacted] Internal Security (C)", information concerning subject has been furnished to the effect that [redacted] Communist Party, [redacted] Assembly District, New York City. He is stated to have received this appointment after attending the Training School conducted by the Communist Party, [redacted] Assembly District, New York City. b7C

Investigation has revealed that the subject was employed as a buckle maker in the manufacturing concern of Levin and Rosenberg, New York City, until August, 1941, when he was discharged because of troublemaking amidst fellow workers. At the present time he is stated to be directing strike activities against the above-mentioned manufacturing concern.

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Reference report reflects further information received from confidential informant [redacted] concerning the subject and his statement that he would like to start a unit within the FBI. In her report of January 16, 1941, confidential informant [redacted] states that, "I am certain he meant this as a joke." b7C b7D

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Mr. Tolson
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Reference report further advises that on subsequent contact with the New York informant, she reiterated her belief that the subject was joking when he made the remark.

Reference report further reflects that upon recent contact, confidential informant [redacted] had stated that she had received no further information that would lead her to believe that a movement would be instituted by the Communist Party of New York to establish a Party Unit in the FBI. b7C b7D

Investigation in this matter is being continued by the New York Field Division and will be followed carefully here at the Bureau.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
4058 United States Court House
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

February 20, 1942

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY
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Reference is made to your letter of December 15, 1941 to all Special Agents in Charge in the above entitled matter in which you advised that the Communist Party is reported to be endeavoring to place its members in Bureau positions as Special Agents, etc., and that the Party contemplates conducting surveillances of Bureau Agents.

No reports have been received by me, from available sources and informants, which indicate that the local Party has definitely designated any particular individual to attempt to secure a position in this Bureau or to attempt the surveillance of any Special Agent of this office.

Checks of our files against the names of all applicants in this office, occasionally reveal a prior record to the effect that the applicant is known as "radical" or extremely "liberal". In all such instances, it has been found that the original complaint was either unfounded or non-specific.

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On January 22, 1942, [redacted] was given the examination for Special Agents, and during the interview, stated that he had no connection whatsoever with any anti-American organization. Our files showed, however, that this individual had signed a nominating petition circulated by the Communist Party; that the Philadelphia County Detectives' Office had forwarded a questionnaire to all signers of the petition, and that [redacted] returned his questionnaire with a statement that he had signed the petition knowingly and willingly, with full knowledge of its Communistic nature.

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Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

General Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RSW:NWD

February 21, 1942

Call: 3:40 PM
Dictated: 3:45 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

SAC Thornton from Pittsburgh called and in my absence talked with Special Agent [redacted] Mr. Thornton stated that [redacted], Central Industrial Service Company, has made available to him a written report from one of [redacted] confidential informants. Mr. Thornton stated that the Central Industrial Service Company investigates industrial plants; that [redacted] has previously furnished information to the Bureau; and is known to Mr. E. A. Tamm. This report is dated February 19, 1942, and reads as follows:

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"We have a report which we cannot verify and under the circumstances can hardly take the chance of verifying things because of our limited resources which has to do with the New York Office of the FBI. The statement was made that the Jewish office workers in the FBI office have on certain occasions tipped off the highest ranking Jewish Communist leaders to certain facts and they have also tipped off leaders of the international Jewish organization known as ~~Kahall~~ or Cahall.

"The Report has it that [redacted] is one of the [redacted] Cahall and she has been in contact with [redacted] who, according to some reports, is the individual who runs the destinies of Winston Churchill."

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SAC Thornton stated that he and Inspector [redacted] who is at the present time in the Pittsburgh Office, talked with [redacted] but he would not name his informant. However, SAC Thornton has made arrangements with [redacted] to have the informant in Pittsburgh about Tuesday, February 24, at which time SAC Thornton and Inspector [redacted] will talk with him. SAC Thornton stated he did not anticipate that [redacted] would have any difficulty in getting the informant into the proposed conference [redacted]

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SAC Thornton called attention to his "Personal and Confidential" letter to the Director dated February 16, 1942 which contained information along the same lines concerning the

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New York Office. This letter refers to the report received by the Pittsburgh Office to the effect that information came out of New York to the Communist Party in Pittsburgh prior to the Croatian raids.

He further called attention to his "Strictly Confidential" letter dated February 19, 1942, to the New York Office with copies to the Bureau, which sets out that one Henry Winston, Negro, is married [redacted]

SAC Thornton requested that this information be called immediately to your attention, and he desires to be advised if the arrangements which have been made for him and Inspector [redacted] to interview the informant of [redacted] are not satisfactory with the Bureau.

Advised orally

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

Thornton advised orally Saturday 7:00

Mr. Tolson advised 7:21/42

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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February 24, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: [redacted]

Reference is made to a comment appearing in the Washington Evening Star today in an Associated Press article dated at Los Angeles on February 24 with respect to statements allegedly made by Jones that the Robert Noble group, with which Jones is connected, "have our own people in the FBI." b7C

I called SAC Hood in accordance with Mr. Carson's instructions and told him that it was desired he contact the appropriate person connected with the State Assembly Committee which was investigating Noble to determine exactly what statements had been made by [redacted] in this regard. I told Mr. Hood that he should obtain a transcript of [redacted] testimony.

SAC Hood was instructed to then discuss with the United States Attorney the question of bringing [redacted] so [redacted] b3 b7C but that in the meantime he will contact the State Assembly Committee and will also discuss the matter with the USA so that preparations may be made to handle the matter when the [redacted] I pointed out to him that this was a matter of importance and that it should receive vigorous and prompt attention.

Respectfully,

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TO ALL SPECIAL AGENTS IN CHARGE:

The following observations, suggestions and instructions are submitted:

(A) MOVEMENT TO PLACE COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERS IN THE BUREAU. -- This is to advise that information has been recently received from a confidential source to the effect that a well organized movement is under way by the Communist Party to place members in this Bureau. It is reported that the Party is urging those members who have the required qualifications to apply for the various positions.

It is alleged that the Party is aware of the strict investigation that their members will have to undergo to qualify for a position with the Bureau but they are attempting to succeed in placing as many members as possible in the employ of the Bureau.

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In view of the above and previous information concerning this subject recently furnished the field, it is the Bureau's desire that all Agents be continuously on the alert for information concerning the same and that meticulous care be taken in the investigation and supervision of applicant cases.

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Probers Told Friends Of Progress Hinted At Assassinations

Mock Trial 'Convicted' Roosevelt of Treason, Leader Testifies

By the Associated Press.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24.—A State Assembly committee investigating un-American activities was told yesterday that bulletins of the Friends of Progress organization contained propaganda hinting at possible assassinations in the United States.

Evidence had been submitted earlier to show that Robert Noble, director of the organization, said: "I am for Germany and for Hitler. I read this book, 'Mein Kampf,' and was absolutely thrilled."

Ben S. Beery, chairman of the American Legion's 15th District Americanism Committee, testified that the Friends of Progress bulletins hinted at possible assassinations.

Mr. Beery continued:

"It is the duty of the United States Attorney General to enforce the laws. The Sedition Act is not being enforced. Enemy propagandists hide behind freedom of speech, which does not give them the right to conduct and organize enemy propaganda campaigns."

Axis Activities Listed.

He said that Axis propagandists are thwarting Defense bond sales, provoking race hatreds, destroying public confidence in America's leaders, and "developing a spirit of discouragement."

Mr. Beery said the Ku Klux Klan has joined forces with enemy propagandists.

Ellis O. Jones, identified as a Friends of Progress leader and former head of the National Copperheads, testified that President Roosevelt had been given a mock trial at a Friends of Progress meeting and "convicted of treason in giving away the Navy of the United States."

Jones said a United States Senator had written a letter February 7 commending him and Noble for their activities. The Assembly committee threatened to cite him for contempt when he refused to name the Senator.

Under questioning by Assemblyman Jack Tenney of Inglewood, chairman of the committee, Jones said the trial "was suggested by one of the stooges that is always hanging around our meetings—one of the F. B. I. stooges."

Investigating Board Urged.

"How do you know they were F. B. I. people?" he was asked.

"Oh, well, we knew. We have our own men around. We have our own people in the F. B. I."

A report urging President Roosevelt to appoint an investigating board which would recommend steps to forestall "a slow Pearl Harbor" in Southern California was submitted by the Americanism Committee.

High lights from the Legion's statement, which it said was compiled from evidence uncovered by its own operatives, include:

"Southern California, key war production center of the United States, is spotted with subversive organizations aggressively spreading dissension, defeatism, obstruction to our war effort and open disloyalty to the United States of America.

"The Government is not adequately controlling enemy propaganda in spite of the efficiency of the F. B. I. in this vital field.

"High Government officials are at present in a state of non-alertness concerning enemy activity on the propaganda front that is comparable to the non-alertness that led to the Pearl Harbor debacle on our military and naval fronts."

Organizations Named.

"In this area there are many types of subversive organizations * * * devoted to spreading enemy propaganda. * * *

"Some of these are holdovers from prewar groups—the rallying points for subversive elements from such groups as America First, National Copperheads, Christian American Guards and the Ku Klux Klan. Others are new organizations under such names as World Events Forum, Friends of Progress, United Minute Men and Women of America, the People's Church and the like."

The report declared that when Noble and his associates were arrested December 11 for violation of the sedition laws, such propaganda practically ceased in Los Angeles. He was released December 22 on orders from Attorney General Biddle.

His release, the report added, encouraged "propagandists to renew their campaign."

"They referred in their leaflets and their speeches," the report said, "'Remember, the United States Attorney General says we have a perfect right to talk—and we will!'"

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THE DIRECTOR

Re: COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.
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In accordance with a Bureau letter to all SAC's regarding the fact that the Communist Party was attempting to place members in Bureau positions as Special Agents, stenographers, clerks, etc., the Louisville Field Division advised that [redacted] a confidential informant of their office [redacted] the Communist Party of Kentucky, questioned him regarding why the Communist Party did not have any men in the FBI to keep them posted as to what the FBI planned to do. [redacted] Party gets a lot of information, that is, the national office does, and the best method we have [redacted] Department."

The Louisville office was instructed to ascertain definitely from their informant whether he deduced from [redacted] whether the [redacted] referred to were employed in the FBI or the Department of Justice proper.

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Information has been received from the Louisville Field Division to the effect that the informant [redacted] Department of Justice [redacted] Confidential Informant [redacted] upon being questioned on this occasion stated [redacted] which had [redacted] in New York City. The Louisville office has informed that no further detailed information is known in connection with these matters and that because of the possibility of arousing suspicion no further inquiry will be made of [redacted] by the informant at this particular time. It stated, however, that at the first opportunity the confidential informant will attempt to obtain full and complete information regarding these matters.

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Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Please note the attached telegram from New York which indicates that a member of the Communist Party, whose description is furnished, took the examination for a Bureau Agent's position on January 31 in Washington, D. C. A copy of this teletype has been furnished Mr. Tolson in order that immediate efforts may be made to identify this applicant.

Respectfully,

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CC: Mr. Tolson

Let me know if you can identify the applicant.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. [redacted]

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Re: Communist Infiltration - FBI

There is attached a teletype from the NYC Office which reflects that Confidential Informant [redacted] has now furnished information [redacted]

You will recall that previously information was received that a Communist using the Party name [redacted] and this individual has been identified by the Chief Clerk's Office as [redacted]

The informant reportedly received information [redacted] however, it will be noted that the NYC Office is continuing its inquiry.

It is believed that the Chief Clerk's office should endeavor to identify [redacted]

Respectfully,

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ATTENTION MR. RUSSELL KRAMER. INFORMANT [redacted] REPORTED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WHICH WILL SUPPLEMENT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU IN TELETYPE DATED FEBRUARY TWO, NINETEEN FORTY TWO IN REFERENCE MATTER WITH SPECIFIC REGARD TO THE REPORTED [redacted]

[redacted] INFORMANT [redacted] STATES THAT [redacted] LAST NAME NOT KNOWN, [redacted]

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[redacted] CONTINUED EFFORT IS BEING MADE BY [redacted] TO OBTAIN THE [redacted] IN THE EVENT THIS INFORMATION IS OBTAINED, THE BUREAU WILL BE APPROPRIATELY ADVISED.

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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
March 17, 1942

DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

RE: [redacted]
[illegible] - TRANSLATOR

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith application received in this office from the above named Applicant whose present address is [redacted] Philadelphia, Pa. The files of the Philadelphia Field Office reveal that on January 10, 1942, [redacted] called at this office, ostensibly for the purpose of inquiring concerning a position as translator with the Bureau, she brought to the attention of Special Agent [redacted] one [redacted] who, [redacted] alleged, was engaged in un-American activities. She stated [redacted] was very pro-German in her remarks and actions prior to 1936 and 1937. b7C

The files of this office further reveal that an informant [redacted] reported to the Office of Naval Intelligence at Philadelphia that [redacted] is a Communist. b2 b7C

A further review of the files of the Philadelphia Field Division reveals the existence of a communication from [redacted] b7D which letter, among other things, mentioned the fact that [redacted] is engaged in radical activities.

In view of the above information indicating that Applicant may possibly be a member of the Communist Party, she is not being called in for an interview and this information is being furnished to the Bureau as being a possible instance indicating that members of the Communist Party are endeavoring to infiltrate themselves into the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Yours very truly,

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J. F. SEARS,
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

RE: [redacted]
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 17, 1942, in the matter entitled [redacted] Applicant - Translator." Your letter reflects that your office has received information indicating that the applicant may possibly be a member of the Communist Party.

It is the Bureau's desire that an internal security case be opened as to this individual, and that a complete and vigorous investigation be conducted in an effort to definitely determine if the applicant has any Communist Party connections at the present time. This matter should be given immediate attention, and a report should be submitted promptly.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: COMMUNIST ATTEMPTS TO INFILTRATE AND ALLEGATIONS REGARDING COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO THE FBI

You will recall that from time to time information has been received to the effect that the Communist Party has or will attempt to place members or sympathizers in this Bureau. This type of information has on numerous occasions been called to the attention of the field with specific instructions that the Bureau be immediately advised upon the slightest indication that such is taking place. The field has also been advised that meticulous attention should be given to the investigation and supervision of all applicant matters.

In this connection an attorney from Chicago, Illinois, recently took the Special Agent's examination. Shortly thereafter this attorney, using a different name, at a party in New York City attended by known Communist Party members, told at great length about taking the examination, being interviewed and being questioned concerning his past activities, hobbies, etc. He was, of course, immediately identified and although no further consideration was given him, the applicant investigation was allowed to continue. This investigation reflects that the applicant has strong Communist sympathies and connections.

On another occasion the Bureau received information that a school teacher in a secretarial school in Houston, Texas, who is a member of the Communist Party, was grooming a girl for a position in this Bureau. Shortly thereafter an application was received from a student of this secretarial school. Subsequent investigation revealed that the above-mentioned teacher had taken a personal interest in this particular student. This teacher admitted upon interview that she had spent considerable time with this student after school in an effort to help her obtain a position with this Bureau.

The Bureau has also received information that allegations have been made to the effect that the Communist Party is attempting to place members in the Bureau and that it has members in the Bureau at the present time. All of these allegations which appear to have any merit whatsoever are being completely investigated.

Although applicant investigations and Bureau personnel matters are not primarily the responsibility of this Division, arrangements have been made so that in the future all Bureau applicant investigations

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of any kind which are discontinued because of Communist sympathies or tendencies will be routed to this Division. When it is deemed advisable investigations will be conducted under an internal security classification to determine if the applicant is a member of the Communist Party or whether he has any definite Party connections. A running memorandum will be maintained which memorandum will briefly reflect the facts of all such cases.

For your information, there is attached hereto a memorandum containing a brief resume of cases recently coming to the attention of this Division reflecting Communist attempts to infiltrate and allegations regarding Communist infiltration into the Bureau.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd

Attachment

Such arrangements have been in operation for the past 6 months. Many have been referred

MEMORANDUM

Re: [redacted]

INFILTRATION OF COMMUNISTS
IN THE FBI
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
BUREAU FILE #100-41385

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On October 2, 1940, [redacted] of Missoula, Montana, was highly recommended to the Butte Office for a position as translator by [redacted] b7C
[redacted] Montana State University, Missoula, Montana. [redacted] was sent an application by the Butte Office and told to advise [redacted] to submit the same to the Bureau in Washington, D. C. A check of the Butte and Bureau records has failed to reflect that an application has ever been received from [redacted]

On August 25, 1941, a confidential informant advised the Butte Office that while [redacted] the Communist Party in Montana, were engaged in Party work in [redacted] they were told by members of the Communist Party that [redacted] They further advised the informant and [redacted] Montana. [redacted] These Party members further advised the informant that [redacted] b7C is alleged to have told these Party members on this occasion that he wished this fellow had come to see him and [redacted] b7D that the Party could have used him. [redacted] is further alleged to have stated that the Party [redacted] wanted more, and that at the present time [redacted]

Investigation has developed that [redacted] was actually connected with and sympathetic to the Communist Party. It has further developed information to the effect that he was b7C [redacted] Montana. Investigation has also reflected that [redacted] applied for a

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position as Special Agent with the Bureau and was examined at the Butte Office on March 29, 1941, at which time an unfavorable recommendation was made in his case. In connection with the pending matter, [redacted] was thoroughly investigated and interviewed, which investigation revealed that he has an excellent reputation in Missoula, where he is employed by one of the leading law firms. The investigation failed to indicate in any way that [redacted] was a Communist or in sympathy with the Communist cause. [redacted] readily stated that [redacted] was a Communist, but that he, [redacted] had never discussed the Bureau with him, or suggested that he become a Communist or submit an application for the position of Special Agent in the FBI. [redacted] informed that he became acquainted with [redacted] during the time that they both attended the University of Montana. b7C

In addition to the above, a complete review has been made of the files of all employees from the State of Montana, and there is no information indicating any disloyalty on the part of these employees. A review has also been made of the files of every employee in the Bureau with the first name of [redacted] and there is no indication that any of them have had any connection with [redacted]

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[redacted] has been determined to be presently employed by the Charles F. Burg Women's Department Store, Portland, Oregon, where he is reportedly well regarded by the management. Investigation in Portland has failed to reflect any information which would indicate that [redacted] is presently engaging in Communist activities.

This case is being closely followed at the present time.

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
[redacted] Informant
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

In connection with an investigation conducted by the Los Angeles Field Division based on the "Assembly Relief Investigating Committee; Jack Tenney Committee; California State Legislature Investigative Committee; Information Concerning", it was ascertained by the Los Angeles Field Division that [redacted] the Daily Worker and former member of the Communist Party, alleged [redacted] b7C b7D

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This information was reported to the Bureau by the Los Angeles Office in July, 1941, who obtained the same from [redacted] reportedly interviewed [redacted] in connection with the above mentioned investigation. [redacted] stated that during the interview with [redacted] he told her that he had been in Washington, D. C. [redacted] b3 b7C b7D

It is reported that [redacted] further informed that she also learned from [redacted] who had previously testified in the Bridges case, that [redacted] the above incident, appearently trying to draw a parallel as to why [redacted] b7C should not testify in the Bridges case. The Los Angeles Office specifically called the Bureau's attention to the fact b7D that [redacted] informed that she considered [redacted] a great braggart and a loose talker, and that she placed no faith in his remarks.

The Washington Field Division was requested to advise as to what time [redacted] in Washington, D. C., [redacted] The Washington Field Division has advised that [redacted] in the matter of U. S. v. International Publishing Company, et al. However, the Washington Field Division was unable to determine the names of [redacted] in view of the b3 fact that all vouchers in the disbursing clerk's office are b7C filed alphabetically [redacted] b7D This office has also informed that that the field office registers for the period covering March, 1940, are no longer available, and as a consequence, no information can be obtained as to what Agents arrived in the District of Columbia [redacted]

from other field divisions. In view of the vagueness of the original allegations on the part of [redacted] the Los Angeles Office has been instructed to re-interview [redacted] the original informant, to determine if she can supply further information or if she can obtain further detailed information from [redacted] The Washington Field Office has been instructed to check the names of the Agents assigned to the Washington Field Office in March, 1940 against the alphabetical index of the disbursing clerk in a possible effort to definitely determine the identity of the Agents of this Bureau [redacted] in the instant matter. There is, of course, always the possibility that Agents from the Washington Field Office were not [redacted] in the instant case.

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Re: [redacted]
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BUREAU FILE #100-61614

In September, 1941, the New York City Office made available a report of Confidential Informant [redacted] which reflected that at a meeting of [redacted] Communist Party, [redacted] Assembly District, New York City, an individual who was a member thereof made the statement, "I would like to get into the FBI and start a little Party unit".

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The New York Office was instructed to determine the identity of this individual through their confidential informant. It was determined that the person making the statement was a member of the above referred to [redacted] and was a young man named [redacted] further, that he resided at [redacted] New York City. Preliminary investigation by the New York Office revealed [redacted]

A check of the New York and Bureau administrative and personnel indices has failed to reveal any record concerning this subject. The New York Office was instructed to conduct a complete and thorough investigation concerning this individual with a view of developing all pertinent information concerning his Communistic connections.

Investigation has reflected that [redacted] was born on [redacted] New York, and that he has a three year high school education. He was employed as a buckle

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maker at Levin and Rosenberg Co., New York City, manufacturers of buckles, belts and novelties, from [redacted] Investigation reveals that the subject was discharged from the above company [redacted] It has been ascertained that while employed at the above company [redacted] b7C It has been determined that he is unemployed at the present time [redacted] He is reported to be a [redacted] for the above mentioned [redacted] of the Communist Party in New York City. This investigation to date has failed to reflect any information indicating that the subject is attempting to obtain employment or to organize a Communist Party unit within this Bureau.

Investigation concerning this subject is being continued by the New York Office.

Re: [redacted]
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
BUREAU FILE #100-45143
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In January, 1942, [redacted] a member of the White Collar Branch of the Communist Party, Houston, Texas, [redacted] at the Southwestern Business University, Houston, Texas, since [redacted] b7C at a meeting of the above [redacted] discussed the [redacted] b7D This information was furnished by a confidential informant of the Houston Office.

[redacted] the Houston Office [redacted] with the above named university [redacted] attended this university from [redacted] at which time he entered the employ of this Bureau [redacted] in the Houston Office. [redacted] was employed as [redacted] the Southwestern Business University from [redacted] b7C

which duties he performed although he was enrolled as a student at the university. [redacted] was eliminated as a possible suspect in this connection, among other things, because of the fact that he had terminated his connection with the Southwestern Business University [redacted] which date was prior to the time [redacted] entered the employ of that school. b7C

In January, 1942, [redacted] of Houston made application for a position [redacted] with the Bureau through the Houston Office. This application reflected that the applicant completed her business course at the Southwestern Business University, Houston, Texas, in January, 1942.

Investigation in connection with this applicant revealed that she received straight A's in all of her courses and that she received A plus from [redacted] Although the completed investigation showed no subversive or un-American tendencies on the part of this applicant, it did reflect that the applicant was extremely intimate with [redacted] during the time that she attended the above school. Upon interview by Agents of this Bureau, [redacted] recommended the applicant exceptionally highly. She admitted that she had taken a great personal interest in the applicant. She voluntarily informed that the applicant came to her in December, 1941, relating that she had made application to the FBI for a position and asked if there was anything she might do in order to improve her shorthand prior to taking the examination. [redacted] informed that she took a personal interest in [redacted] inasmuch as she was a particularly able student, and voluntarily spent extra time with her in order to improve the applicant's shorthand as much as possible. [redacted] informed that she voluntarily stayed after school from one to two hours daily and dictated to the applicant with a view of increasing her speed. b7C

The applicant investigation as to this indivudual was discontinued on February 17, 1942. The Houston Office is conducting further investigation regarding [redacted] under an Internal Security classification to determine if she has definitely any Communist connections. b7C

Re: HENRY WINSTON
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
BUREAU FILE #100-1473

On February 19, 1942, a confidential informant of the Pittsburgh Office advised an Agent of that office that a confidential informant of his had furnished information to the effect that Henry Winston, negro, a national officer of the Young Communist League, [redacted]

The original informant at that time refused to give the source of his information. This information was furnished to the New York Office by the Pittsburgh Office immediately for its information.

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The matter was brought to the attention of Inspector [redacted] who was at the Pittsburgh Office at the time. Inspector [redacted] contacted the Bureau's confidential informant and made arrangements to interview his informant. It was determined [redacted] the Bureau's confidential informant [redacted] that his information concerning this subject matter [redacted] a reported member of the Communist Party. [redacted] is alleged to have received her information or names at that time. [redacted] to recontact his informant, [redacted] as soon as possible to secure all available information [redacted]

On February 23, 1942, an unknown outside source made available to this Bureau a copy of the report which contained the original information in connection with the above situation. This report reflects the following in this connection. [redacted] that Henry Winston has been married to three white girls [redacted]

Investigation by the New York Field Office has revealed that Henry Winston [redacted]

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A thorough check of the indices of the Bureau and the New York Office has failed to reflect any [redacted] or any variation thereof [redacted] The New York files do reflect that one [redacted] New York, did apply for a position in the New York Office in November, 1941, but was recommended unfavorably. The New York Office has advised that from available facts there is no indication that [redacted] are identical. b7C

The New York Office is presently conducting further investigation in this matter. It has recently informed that attempts are being made to develop information relative to the intimate contacts of Winston in an effort to determine whether or not he was in close association with white women other than his wife.

Both the Pittsburgh and New York Offices are presently conducting investigations in connection with this matter.

Re: [redacted]
BUREAU FILE #100-82440
[redacted]

On December 16, 1941, the above individual, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, [redacted] directed a letter to the Bureau requesting information concerning the requirements for a Special Agent.

On January 17, 1942 an application was made available to him and on January 24, 1942, he filed the same for this position with the Bureau. b7C

On January 31, 1942 the applicant took the Special Agent's examination, Washington, D. C., at which time he was interviewed and recommended unfavorably, among other things because of his effeminate manner.

On February 2, 1942, Confidential Informant [redacted] of the New York Office advised the New York Office that he had attended a party in New York City, which was also attended by known Communist Party members. This informant [redacted] b7C b7D

The New York Office made this information available to the Bureau immediately by teletype and a check of the Special Agent applicants interviewed [redacted] b7C

Investigation has revealed that [redacted] is Jewish and was born in Chicago, Illinois on [redacted] also that his father was born in Russia.

It was determined he attended DePaul University, the University of Illinois, the University of Wisconsin, and the University of Northwestern Law Schools where he received average grades. [redacted] b7C

It was determined through his references that the applicant's brother is definitely inclined toward Communism, and that the applicant is also so inclined and described as a "parlor pink". It was ascertained that in 1938 the applicant worked at a cigar store in Chicago, Illinois, the owner of which reportedly engaged in Communist activities.

It was further ascertained that the applicant is reportedly a member of the Communist Party and that he is a good friend of two leading civil liberties lawyers in Chicago, Illinois, who are affiliated with the Communist Party.

A classmate and close friend of the applicant at Northwestern University Law School informed that the applicant during his attendance at the above school exhibited minor radical tendencies in school room discussions. The Legal Aid Bureau of the United Charities, Chicago, Illinois [redacted] furnished information to the effect that the applicant has the reputation as a liberal but not necessarily as a radical. b7C

The law firm of [redacted] and Associates made available information to the effect that the applicant was regarded as a liberal not as a radical.

In view of the fact that the applicant investigation regarding this individual has been discontinued, the Chicago Field Division is being instructed to open an internal security case with the view of determining if this individual is a member of the Communist Party or has definite Communist connections.

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RE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA. INTERNAL SECURITY, ESPIONAGE R.

ATTENTION OF MR. RUSSELL KRAMER.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT [redacted] REPORTED ON INSTANT DATE THAT HE ATTENDED A PARTY GIVEN BY [redacted] A CP MEMBER, [redacted] FOUR EAST TENTH STREET, NYC, ON SAT EVE JAN THIRTY ONE, FORTY TWO. THIS PARTY WAS ATTENDED BY ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE CP MEMBERS AND WAS GIVEN AS A BENEFIT TO RAISE MONEY FOR CAMP NO-CHI-CA, A COMMUNIST CONTROLLED CHILDRENS CAMP LOCATED IN PLEASATVILLE XXX PLEASANTVILLE, N.J. INFORMANT [redacted] FURTHER REPORTED THAT AFTER THE GENERAL PART ACTIVITIES WERE OVER A GROUP OF THE CP MEMBERS HELD AN INFORMAL DISCUSSION ON VARIOUS TOPICS AND THAT DURING THIS DISCUSSION A YOUNG PARTY MEMBER, USING CP [redacted] HAD STATED TO THE GROUP THAT HE HAD ON THAT SAME DAY, JAN THIRTY ONE, FOURTY TWO, [redacted]

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ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN [redacted] REAL IDENTITY BUT NOT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. HOWEVER [redacted] DID LEARN THAT [redacted] IS A PRACTICING ATTY IN CHICAGO AND HAS A BROTHER LIVING IN N Y WHO IS ALSO A CP MEMBER. [redacted] ADVISED THAT HE COULD IDENTIFY [redacted] AND GAVE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION

[redacted] b7C b7D

[redacted] INFORMANT [redacted]

HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO ASCERTAIN IF POSSIBLE THE TRUE NAME OF [redacted]

AND UPON RECEIPT OF THIS THE BUREAU WILL BE APPROPRIATELY ADVISED.

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Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

RE: [redacted] b7C
Special Agent Applicant

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your wire of July 8, 1942, entitled: "COMMUNIST PARTY ACTIVITIES" in which you indicate that the above named individual who is allegedly connected with Communistic elements has indicated that he would make application to this Bureau for the position of Special Agent.

Please be advised that the files of this Bureau fail to reflect an individual of this description and it is, therefore, suggested that you carefully review your files in an attempt to identify this individual as an applicant for a position with this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Clegg
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WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, WELL KNOWN COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER, b7D
OF LOEWE'S SCHOOL,

INFORMANT FURTHER ADVISED [redacted] IS A
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...Bureau of Investigation,
...hgton, D. C.

Re: COMMUNIST ATTEMPTS TO INFILTRATE INTO THE FBI; [redacted] Applicant Clerk; [redacted] Applicant Clerk. b7C

Dear Sir:

On October 5 and 6, 1942, the Boston Office interviewed several hundred applicants for clerical positions under the emergency personnel project. I am transmitting herewith the following enclosures:

a. Application of [redacted] Provincetown, Mass., with copy of her fingerprint card and supplementary questionnaire executed by the applicant.

b. Application of [redacted] Lynn, Mass., together with copy of her fingerprints and executed supplementary questionnaire.

Both of these applicants were recommended by interviewing agents for clerical positions.

Applicant [redacted] indicated on her application the following b7C
family:

[redacted]

A check of the indices of the Boston Field Division reflects that [redacted] Lynn, Mass., [redacted] was a veteran of b7C
the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, according to newspaper clippings of file at the reference library of the Boston Daily American, and as also appears from a membership list seized in a raid on the Detroit Officials of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, as reported in the report of

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Washington, D.C.

May 12, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.
District No. 2
New York Field Division
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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The New York office has recently advised that former confidential National Defense Informant [redacted] recently filed an application for the position of Special Agent with this Bureau. This former informant recently advised Agents of the New York office that he had been approached by one [redacted] who attempted to induce him to join the Communist Party. The informant stated that in view of the fact that [redacted] had approached him on numerous occasions concerning his joining the Party, he deemed it advisable to tell [redacted] that he did not feel it would be a good idea to join the Party at the present time since he had filed an application for the position of Special Agent with this Bureau. The informant advised that [redacted] assured him it would be perfectly all right for him to join the Party and stated in an off-hand manner that the Communist Party has members who are affiliated with the FBI. [redacted] reportedly told the informant that his Party membership could be easily covered up by the use of a fictitious name and that it would not be necessary for him to belong to a neighborhood branch where his membership would become generally known.

The New York office states that this informant was thoroughly interrogated concerning this matter, at which time he advised that from [redacted] manner it was apparent that his statement concerning Party members who are connected with the FBI was made merely for the benefit of the informant. The New York office has informed that every effort is being made to check further the statement of [redacted] and that in event any additional information is obtained in connection with the same the Bureau will be promptly advised.

Former confidential National Defense Informant [redacted] It is suggested that this matter be referred to the Chief Clerk's office so that an appropriate notation concerning this incident might be place in [redacted] personnel file in view of the fact that he has reportedly filed an application for the position of Special Agent with the Bureau.

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Respectfully,

D.M. LADD

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. E. A. TAMM

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.
DISTRICT #4
WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

You will recall that Special Agent C. J. Martin of the Washington Field Office on October 30, 1943, advised the Bureau that information had been received on that date through a technical source reflecting that [redacted] of the Communist Party for the District of Columbia, had made a remark during a conversation with an unidentified woman that he has a cousin who is a Special Agent with the FBI. You will also recall that the Washington Field Office was instructed to make every effort to ascertain the veracity of this statement, and that a check of the Bureau records failed to reflect any identifying information concerning the matter.

The Washington Field Office now advises that after unsuccessful attempts to identify the person referred to by [redacted] it was decided to interview [redacted] father, [redacted] under a pretext of an inquiry regarding his Selective Service Status. During the course of this interview [redacted] father stated. . . . . .

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RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
OF THE FBI

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At 5:40 PM October 30, 1943, Special Agent Carl Martin of the Washington Field office phoned and advised that a conversation had been picked up by the microphone in Communist Party headquarters between [redacted] of the Communist Party and [redacted], a well known Communist Party member. They were discussing the necessity of caution because of the fact that the national headquarters of the FBI was located in Washington. [redacted] stated that she had a relative who had once applied for a position in the FBI. [redacted] stated that he has a cousin who is an FBI Agent.

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ACTION

Washington Field was instructed to exhaust every possibility to determine the identity of the individual [redacted] referred to.

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F. L. Welch

ADDENDUM 11/2/43

A check of the indices in the Personnel Files Section reflects that 4 individuals having the last name of [redacted] have filed applications for positions with the Bureau. The Personnel Files Section advises that no individual with the last name of [redacted] has ever been or is presently employed in any capacity with the Bureau. Upon receipt of more detailed information in this connection from the Washington Field Office a complete and thorough check will be made of the Bureau records in an effort to determine the authenticity of [redacted] statement concerning a cousin of [redacted] who is presently employed as an Agent of this Bureau.

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DIRECTOR

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
November 17, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLAYTON

RE: Communist Infiltration of the FBI

Reference is made to Memorandum for Mr. Ladd dated October 30, 1943, by Supervisor F. L. Welch, which points out that [redacted] of the Communist Party, has stated that he has a cousin who is an FBI Agent.

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A check was made of the payroll cards, Justice and Internal Revenue indices and no record of a person named [redacted] was found. It is believed that all information sources in the Bureau have been exhausted with negative results. b7C

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Washington Field Office ascertain through informants or otherwise the identity of the individual named [redacted] referred to as his cousin.

Respectfully,

M. F. Ackers

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United States Department of Justice
New York, New York

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January 31, 1945

PERSONAL & ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

Re: COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP
OF ALLEGED FBI EMPLOYEE

Dear Sir:

Special Agent [redacted] of this office has informed me that while visiting socially with a neighbor, [redacted] New York, [redacted] told Agent [redacted] that one of the attorneys in the recent Sedition trial in Washington, D. C., one [redacted] told him that he knew positively of an avowed Communist employed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] further stated to Agent Garges that he did not believe this statement and added that the individual making the statement was a rabid anti-Communist, so much so that it often affected his logical reasoning powers. b7C b7D

At Special Agent [redacted] request, [redacted] on January 30, 1945 re-contacted [redacted] who is alleged to have made this statement and arranged to see him for the purpose of obtaining further information in accordance with this allegation. To date [redacted] has been unable to see [redacted] b7C b7D

This matter is being closely followed and the Bureau will be immediately advised as to any information obtained concerning an alleged employee of this Bureau who is a Communist.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

E. E. CONROY
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SAC, New York

February 7, 1945

John Edgar Hoover, Director - Federal Bureau of Investigation

COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP OF ALLEGED FBI EMPLOYEE

Reference is made to your letters of January 31 and February 1, 1945, in the above captioned matter.

These letters concern allegations on the part of one [redacted] regarding the possible employment of an avowed Communist by this Bureau. The latter letter makes available information reflecting that the individual in question is in all probability employed by the Internal Revenue Bureau in New York City. This letter states that no further action will be taken in this matter unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau.

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You are instructed to see that [redacted] is advised, in the event he is not aware of it, that the address 225 Broadway, New York City is that of the Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue, Second New York Division. Efforts should also be made to have [redacted] recontact [redacted] with a view of developing additional definite information as to the identity of the person referred to. This matter should be given your immediate attention and the Bureau advised of the results of the inquiry.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, New York

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February 1, 1945

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Director, FBI

Re: COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP
OF ALLEGED FBI EMPLOYEE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of January 31, 1945 carrying the above caption.

Special Agent [redacted] advised me that he was in touch with [redacted] the informant in this matter, and was advised that [redacted] had talked with [redacted] who is reported to have made the statement that he knew of an avowed Communist in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] advised Agent [redacted] that [redacted] told him that the person to whom he referred was formerly an examiner of the Internal Revenue and was an attorney, and that within the past several months he received an appointment to "the Income Tax Division of the F.B.I., 225 Broadway, New York City." [redacted] did not give the name of this person nor did he further identify him. It should be noted that the Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue 2nd New York Division, is located at 225 Broadway.

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No further action will be taken in this matter unless advised to the contrary.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

CCM:HEB

TO : The Director

DATE: February 7, 1945

FROM : Mr. D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: ALLEGED COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP OF FBI EMPLOYEE

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
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Mr. Glavin
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You will recall the New York Office recently advised that Special Agent [redacted] of that office had learned from a neighbor, [redacted] that one [redacted] one of the attorneys in the recent Sedition Trial in Washington, had advised him, [redacted] that he knew positively of an "avowed" Communist employed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

At the Bureau's request [redacted] recontacted [redacted] for additional information in connection with this matter. [redacted] now advises that [redacted] after being recontacted, now states that the person to whom he referred was formerly an examiner of the Internal Revenue and that within the past several months he had received an appointment to "The Income Tax Division of the FBI, 225 Broadway, New York City." [redacted] did not make available the identity of this individual, nor did he furnish any further identifying information concerning him. The office of the Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue, Second New York Division, is located at 225 Broadway, New York City. b7C b7D

The New York Office states that no further action is being taken in this matter unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau.

ACTION:

Attached is a letter to the New York Office instructing them to inform [redacted] in the event he is not aware of the same, that 225 Broadway is the address of the Internal Revenue. Instructions are also being issued to have [redacted] recontact the informant for additional information as to the identity of the person in question. b7C b7D

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SAC, New York

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February [redacted], 1945

John Edgar Hoover, Director -- Federal Bureau of Investigation

COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP OF ALLEGED FBI EMPLOYEE

Your attention is directed to Bureau letter of February 7, 1945, in the instant matter which requested that efforts be made to develop additional information as to the identity of the individual previously referred to by [redacted] the original informant of [redacted] b7C

You should advise the Bureau immediately as to the results of your inquiry in this matter. b7D

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February 27, 1945

Director, FBI

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP
OF ALLEGED FBI EMPLOYEE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letters of February 7 and 22, 1945 in which you requested that efforts be made to develop additional information as to the identity of the individual previously referred to by [redacted] the original informant of [redacted]

[redacted] advised Special Agent [redacted] that at the time he obtained the information from [redacted] that he knew of an alleged Communist who was formerly an examiner with the Internal Revenue Department and had recently been appointed to the Income Tax Division of the FBI at 225 Broadway, New York City, he made an effort to learn the identity of this individual referred to by [redacted] [redacted] was reluctant to give him this information. [redacted] stated that he would make a definite effort to obtain this information but stated that he would have to be given sufficient time to do this and would advise this office when and if such information is obtained. b7C b7D

You will be promptly advisedof further developments in this matter.

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Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

E. E. CONROY
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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

MAR 16 1945

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, New York

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March 21, 1945

PERSONAL & ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

Re: COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERSHIP
OF ALLEGED FBI EMPLOYEE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of February 27, 1945 regarding the above captioned matter.

[redacted] the original informant in this matter, advised Special Agent [redacted] that [redacted] informed him that the individual referred to by him in his allegation that he knew of an FBI employee who is a member of the Communist Party was named [redacted] [redacted] told [redacted] that the above named individual is the one who had recently been appointed to the Income Tax Division of the FBI at 225 Broadway, New York City. [redacted] has been advised that [redacted] was in error in stating that this person was appointed to the FBI. b7C b7D

This matter is considered closed herewith unless advised to the contrary.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

CCM:LP

TO : D. M. Ladd

DATE: April 3, 1945

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: RUNNING MEMORANDUM REGARDING COMMUNIST ATTEMPTS TO INFILTRATE THE FBI

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This is to advise that the above-mentioned memorandum is up to date as of March 1, 1945.

Kept in Mr. [redacted] EX-20

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SAC, New York

May 16, 1946

Director, FBI

ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO THE FBI

Reference is made to your letter dated April 8, 1946, captioned "Committee for A Democratic Far Eastern Policy, Internal Security - C," wherein you furnished information submitted by Confidential Informant [redacted] According to your referenced letter, this informant advised that an unidentified woman attended a cocktail party at the home of [redacted] on February 17, 1946, and during the course of conversation stated that she was employed by -- "Bureau" -- in Washington, D. C., later being interpreted by [redacted] as being Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

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The Bureau desires that this informant be instructed to endeavor to discreetly ascertain under pretext or any other method deemed practicable by the informant, the identity of the woman in question from either [redacted] or any of the other individuals who attended the cocktail party. The informant should, of course, be most circumspect in this regard; however, the Bureau is extremely desirous of learning the identity of this woman.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: April 30, 1946

FROM : Mr. J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO THE FBI

On February 17, 1946, [redacted] paid Confidential Informant of the New York Field Office, attended a cocktail party in the residence of [redacted] New York City, which was held for the benefit of the Committee for Democratic Far Eastern Policy. The informant attended this party [redacted] being invited there by [redacted] a Communist Party functionary in New York County. b7C b7D

During the course of the party, a group of people were standing a short distance from the bar and a young lady unknown to the informant in this group was approached by [redacted] and asked what she was doing now. The informant was in the process of mixing a cocktail and he heard this young lady reply that she was working with -- "Bureau" -- in Washington, D. C.

Two days later the informant met [redacted] and in discussing the success of the cocktail party held in [redacted] home, he mentioned to her if she knew the young lady who was in her group who mentioned that she was employed in a "Bureau" in Washington, D. C. [redacted] advised the informant that the young lady remarked to [redacted] that she was employed "in the Federal Bureau of Investigation" in Washington, D. C. According to the informant, apparently [redacted] did not know the young lady inasmuch as she did not furnish any additional information as to her identity. b7C

The informant recalled that he observed the young lady to answer [redacted] at the cocktail party with a smirk on her face and in a rather sarcastic tone, indicating that she may have been joking. The informant advised that he had a good look at this young lady and was of the opinion that he could identify her in the event he observed her in the future. He described her as follows: Age - 32 to 35; height - 5 feet 5 inches; weight - 115 pounds; hair - dark brown, combed with a bun tied up in the back; complexion - fair, not much makeup; fairly attractive looking; characteristics - well spoken, appeared to be an educated type person; drank and smoked; and was wearing a dark colored dress. She was in the company of an unknown young man and two girls. The informant further ascertained that everybody in attendance at this cocktail party was alleged to have purchased a ticket for a dinner to be given by the Committee for Democratic Far Eastern Policy on April 3, 1946, at the Hotel Roosevelt in New York City. The informant further stated that he was quite certain that this young lady was well known to [redacted] 100-77391-41 b7C

Inasmuch as the possibility existed that this unknown young lady would attend a dinner at the Hotel Roosevelt on April 3, 1946, the New York Office made arrangements for [redacted] the informant, to attend this dinner and to point out this individual to Agents so that she could be surveilled and identified in the event she attended. b7D

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Memo, Director to HOB 5/15/46 Re: Mr. Lee, N.Y.

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Memorandum for Mr. D. M. Ladd April 30, 1946

The informant was present during the entire dinner and was in a position to observe each of the 605 guests upon their arrival and departure and he positively advised that the young lady in question did not attend the dinner. The New York Field Office obtained and furnished a seating list of several hundred individuals who attended this dinner.

The informant, [redacted] has been instructed by the New York Office to remain on the alert for any information concerning this individual.

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In view of the nebulous nature of the above information, it is not deemed necessary to further go into this matter by checking the Bureau indices on all names appearing on the seating list at the above mentioned dinner held at the Hotel Roosevelt, New York City, on April 3, 1946. It will also be noted that the informant stated that the remark concerning the employment in the "Bureau" was made with a smirk on her face. It is not believed that an employee of the Bureau would have acted in the manner described by the informant. However, the New York Field Office informant, [redacted] will remain on the alert for any additional information concerning this matter.

5-3-46 I do not agree. I think we must check this list of names through the Bureau files and if we don't discover something that way, we should then consider the feasibility, probably after consultation with the New York office, of bringing the informant to Washington and taking him on a tour of the Bureau, including the file room and Identification Division, to see if he can identify the girl described.

Edw. A. Tamm

I most certainly agree with Tamm. I am getting more & more allergic at this Dept'l attitude in the Security Div. Divisions to just "dust things off & "all with the letters." The name involving the Brazilian Ambassador & Cuba was typical. We must be more thorough & less non-chalant.

SAC, New York

May 23

Director, FBI

ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO THE FBI

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 16, 1946, wherein New York Office was requested to contact Confidential Informant [redacted] and instruct him to discreetly ascertain the identity of the unknown woman who attended a cocktail party at the home of [redacted] on February 17, 1946, and who during the course of conversation allegedly stated that she was employed by — "Bureau" — in Washington, D. C., later interpreted by [redacted] as being the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

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In addition to closely following the efforts of this informant to ascertain the identity of this unknown woman, the New York Field Office is requested to advise the Bureau whether or not it would be feasible to have this informant come to Washington and be taken on a tour of the Bureau so that he may view the female employees in an effort to identify the unknown woman if she is employed by the Bureau.

HOB:bm

Mr. Tolson
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR DATE: May 16, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO THE FBI

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Reference is made to my memorandum from Mr. Strickland, dated April 30, 1946, wherein it was stated that a Confidential Informant of the New York Office, namely, [redacted] had reported a statement made by an unidentified girl at a cocktail party held at the residence of [redacted] on February 17, 1946, wherein she stated in effect that she was employed at the "Bureau" — in Washington, D. C. The informant later ascertained from another Communist that the unidentified girl was allegedly employed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. b7C b7D

According to referenced memorandum, this unidentified girl would probably attend a dinner which was held at the Hotel Roosevelt on April 3, 1946. The informant was present during the course of this dinner and the unidentified girl did not attend. According to the informant, however, he was able to obtain a proposed seating list of several hundred individuals. This seating list, however, did not set forth the names of all of those in attendance and often did not list first names.

This list of names was checked by the Chief Clerk's Office against the payroll records of the entire Bureau personnel. According to this check, there were no female employees in the employ of the Bureau having the first and last names identical with any of the names appearing on this seating list. There were, however, five employees having the same last names of individuals appearing on the seating list. The personnel files of these five individuals were reviewed with negative results. Specific attention was directed to the name, age, description and background of these employees. There was no similarity to the description of the unidentified person described by the informant. Consequently, no further check of the Bureau files was made on these five names.

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ACTION:

The foregoing is submitted pursuant to your request. The action as indicated by Mr. Tamm, namely, bring the New York informant to Washington to observe Bureau female personnel remains as a final resort. This, of course, would involve not only his being taken through the Bureau but also through the Washington Field Office. There is to be considered in this regard the fact that leave is being taken by numerous Bureau employees at this time and this will probably be the case during the next several months. This is being presented for your consideration. Meantime, the New York Office is being requested to instruct the informant, [redacted] to discreetly renew his efforts to identify the girl in question. The letter to the New York Office is attached for your approval. b7C b7D

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Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York 7, New York

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CONFIDENTIAL

June 6, 1946

Director, FBI

RE: ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
INTO THE FBI
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Dear Sir:

Attached herewith are two copies of the report of Confidential Informant [redacted] dated June 3, 1946. Informant reports on the attempts he has made to develop information which may lead to the identity of an unknown woman, who may be employed by the FBI in Washington, D.C. b2 b7D

Copies of this report are being furnished for the Bureau's information.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

CONFIDENTIAL

Monday, June 3, 1946

On February 17, 1946, I attended a cocktail party given by the Executive Board of the Committee For A Democratic Far Eastern Policy, with headquarters at 58 Park Avenue, New York City, which was held [redacted] at [redacted] N.Y.City. Surrounding the bar was a group of guests, including [redacted] and [redacted] A young woman approached this group during the evening and singled out [redacted] who welcomed her and inquired where she was working at the time. Her reply was not audible to me, except that I heard her mention the word "Bureau", in Washington, D. C. On hearing this, I took pains to memorize her face so that I would remember her in the future. b7C

Two days later, I contacted [redacted] (who was standing with [redacted] when the above mentioned girl was speaking to him), and engaged her in a general conversation concerning the party. I mentioned that the party had been a big success and that it appeared to me that there were many important people present, including several members from the State Department and other government agencies. I then asked her in what Bureau this particular girl was employed, on the pretext that she had been outstanding because of her attractive appearance and because I had never seen her at any of their previous parties. [redacted] [redacted] then told me that she understood the young lady worked for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in Washington, D. C.

This aforementioned cocktail party preceded a dinner which the Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy held at the Hotel

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Roosevelt on April 3, 1946. I attended the dinner and carefully checked each of the fifty tables set up for the affair. I could not find the young lady present at this dinner. Inasmuch as I have a good mental picture of this girl, I shall continue to check and scrutinize all guests at any future social functions given by this and other similar organizations.

[redacted]

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice
New York 7, New York

April 22, 1946

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

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ON 5-2-88
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Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT - Employee
in New York Field Division
[redacted] Informant
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that [redacted] has from time to time furnished the New York Field Division with information regarding the JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE, which organization is currently the subject of an Internal Security investigation. [redacted] has been carried in reports under a temporary informant symbol. She is an English instructor at the school.

During a recent interview with [redacted] at her request, she advised Agents that she had recently become a member of the Communist Party. She volunteered the information that about one year ago in a conversation with [redacted] who is prominent in Communist activities in New York, [redacted] made the remark concerning the possibility of school faculty members being investigated by the FBI as a result of their work with Communists. [redacted] replied in effect that there was no worry about such matters as "We have a person in the FBI office here who can advise us of such things." [redacted] stated that she was quite certain that [redacted] was very sincere in her remark and that it was not made in a bragging manner. Nevertheless, she has been unable to ascertain the identity of the alleged employee of the FBI who was referred to by [redacted]

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It will be noted that the statement mentioned above occurred approximately one year ago. It is also believed that [redacted] is the type of person who would make such a statement without there being any foundation thereto. In view of the circumstances as mentioned above, it is not deemed advisable to conduct further investigation relative to this matter other than to request [redacted] to attempt to ascertain the identity of this so-called employee.

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FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES DEFENSE BONDS AND STAMPS

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If [redacted] is able to furnish this information at a later date, the Bureau will be appropriately advised.

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Very truly yours,

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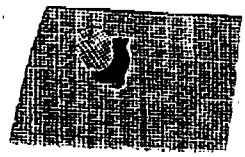

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New York 7, New York
June 4, 1946

Director, FBI

Re: ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
INTO THE FBI

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 16th last, requesting that Confidential Informant [redacted] endeavor to discreetly ascertain the identity of the woman who attended a cocktail party at the home of [redacted] on February 17th, 1946, and who, during the course of a conversation, stated that she was employed by "Bureau" in Washington, D. C., later being interpreted by [redacted] as being the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

When [redacted] originally furnished this office with the above information, he was instructed at that time to endeavor to develop any leads whatever which may lead to the identity of this woman. These instructions have been regularly given to [redacted] because this office is aware of the seriousness of such a situation existing as having a Communist employed in the Bureau. The Informant has advised that he has discussed with [redacted] the successful cocktail party and dinner party held by the "Committee for Democratic Far Eastern Policy" at the Roosevelt Hotel on April 3rd last, but to date has been unable to gather any information which may lead to identifying this woman. This Informant as well as agents of this office were available at the Hotel Roosevelt on April 3rd last for the purpose of identifying this woman in the event she attended the dinner party but she was not present.

According to [redacted] it is his opinion that [redacted] does not know the identity of this woman due to the unconcerned manner in which she originally told the Informant that this woman just mentioned she worked at the Federal Bureau of Investigation and furnished no further details even though the Informant did attempt to discuss this woman's employment further, but when no information was volunteered by [redacted] he dropped the issue.

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Letter to Director June 4, 1946

The Informant has volunteered his services to [redacted] to help out on any committee which would run social affairs for the benefit of the "Committee for Democratic Far Eastern Policy" with the hope that if he attends the socials he may spot this woman. To date these efforts have met with negative results. Informant is of the opinion that this woman is known to [redacted] inasmuch as he appeared to know her at his party on February 17th last. According to the Informant, [redacted] is a shrewd and sharp person and any inquiries asked discreetly or otherwise as to the identity of this woman who allegedly worked for the FBI would immediately arouse the suspicion of [redacted] has advised that he feels quite certain that he would be able to recognize this woman if he saw her again or would even be able to recognize a photograph of her.

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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 23, 1946, requesting this office to advise the Bureau whether or not it would be feasible to have the Informant go to Washington, D. C., and be taken on a tour of the Bureau so that he may view the female employees in an effort to identify the unknown woman if she is employed by the Bureau. The importance of removing from the Bureau employ a Communistically inclined personnel is appreciated. It is believed that [redacted] would be in a position to identify the subject of this communication if the Bureau could make suitable arrangements for the Informant to view photographs of female employees of the Bureau. It is felt that this procedure would eliminate a possibility of the Informant's identity being disclosed and thereby destroying his effectiveness should he be recognized by the employee in question or by anyone else in the Department of Justice while on a tour of the Bureau. The procedure of viewing photographs would enable him to see pictures of all female employees, while if a tour were made, there is a great possibility that the particular employee sought might escape detection through temporary absence during a rest period, while on leave, or by being in such a position at the Bureau that her whereabouts might be overlooked.

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The Informant has expressed a willingness to cooperate in the above plan if the same meets with Bureau approval. It is requested that in the event this suggestion is approved, arrangements should be completed by the Bureau at the earliest possible date while the Informant still feels certain he can recognize a picture of this woman.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

E. E. CONROY, SAC

SAC, New York

June 17, 1946

Director, FBI

ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
INTO THE FBI

Reference is made to your letter dated June 4, 1946, wherein you advised of the steps taken by your office with regard to ascertaining the identity of an unknown woman who attended a cocktail party at the home of [redacted] on February 17, 1946, and who allegedly made the statement that she was employed by the "Bureau" in Washington, D. C., later being interpreted by Charlotte Honig as being the Federal Bureau of Investigation. b2 b7C

The Bureau does not feel that it is practicable to forward photographs of all the female employees of the Bureau to the New York Office. Inasmuch as Confidential Informant [redacted] is of the opinion that [redacted] does not know the identity of this unidentified woman, the Bureau does not desire that any further action be taken with regard to this matter. b7D

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: June 10, 1946

FROM : The Executive Conference

SUBJECT: ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO THE FBI

At a meeting of the Executive Conference on June 10, 1946, attended by Messrs. Tolson, Tamm, Glavin, Quinn Tamm, Nichols, Hendon, Rosen and Ladd, the information furnished by the New York Office was discussed which indicated that at a cocktail party given at the home of [redacted] on February 16, 1946, a girl was observed who, when questioned by [redacted] stated she was employed by the Bureau in Washington, D. C. It was pointed out to the conference that the list of some 600 persons who had been in attendance at this party had been checked against the Bureau indices without disclosing the name of any Bureau employee. It had been suggested to the New York Office that they have their confidential informant come to the Bureau for the purpose of observing the female employees in an effort to identify the girl who was present at the party. The New York Office thought this would be inadvisable inasmuch as it would be uncovering their confidential informant and that they had encountered with a recommendation that copies of photographs of all female Bureau employees be forwarded to the New York Office to be exhibited to the informant.

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The conference was advised that this person did not say that she was with the FBI but only made the statement that she was with the Bureau, which might have been any one of a number of Governmental Bureaus. In view of this, it was not deemed advisable to attempt to furnish photographs of female employees at the Seat of Government to the New York Office. The conference was unanimously of the opinion that no further action should be taken with regard to this matter.

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Respectfully,
For the Conference

Clyde Tolson

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E. A. Tamm

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cc - Mr. Clegg
Mr. Hendon

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[redacted] APPEARED AT THIS OFFICE WITH [redacted] AND STATED HE WISHED TO FURNISH [redacted] NYC, INFORMATION RE CAFE SOCIETY [illegible] AND CAFE SOCIETY DOWNTOWN OF NYC. [redacted] CLAIMS HE WAS [redacted] IN THE J AND J CAFE SOCIETY INC. UNTIL 1945 AND WAS AFFILIATED WITH [redacted] THAT APPROXIMATELY $3,000 TO $5,000 OF THE PROFITS FROM THE NIGHT CLUBS ARE PAID TO LEO HARRIS FOR THE CP EACH WEEK. HE ALLEGES THIS PAYMENT IS [illegible] ON THE CORPORATE BOOKS AND FURNISHED A TYPEWRITTEN STATEMENT EXPLAINING HOW IT WAS DONE. HE ALLEGES THAT THE CP IS THE REAL OWNER OF CAFE SOCIETY, INC., THAT [redacted] IS CONTROLLED BY A CERTAIN GROUP IN THE CP, AND MENTIONS [redacted] RECORDS IN STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN UNQUOTE. HE CLAIMS [redacted] SUBJECT OF BUREAU FILE 100-15251, MET [redacted] EACH WEEK WITH THE MONEY FROM CAFE SOCIETIES AND THAT [redacted] CONTINUED AS A TRUSTED PERSON THAT HE HAD BUILT UP QUOTE A SUBSTANTIAL STOCK [illegible] UNQUOTE. HE ALLEGES THAT THE CP ADVANCED $10,000 TO [redacted] UPON CAFE SOCIETY UPTOWN, [redacted] SAID ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO OUST HIM FROM THE CORPORATION IN 1945 AND HE THEREFORE LEFT ON HIS OWN ACCORD. HE ALSO CURTAILED ON AN ARTICLE ON COMMUNISM IN THE JULY 21, 1946 ISSUE OF LIFE MAGAZINE AND SAID THAT HE KNEW PERSONALLY ALL INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED. [redacted] APPEARED RELUCTANT AND UNEASY DURING INTERVIEW. NEWARK INDICES WERE NEGATIVE ON [redacted] NEW YORK INDICES CHECKED TELEPHONICALLY [illegible] [redacted] APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL. HE IS MENTIONED IN REPORT OF SA [redacted] DATED 9-25-45 AT NEW YORK ENTITLED [redacted] BUREAU FILE 100-[illegible] SECURITY MATTER C ESPIONAGE R. PAGE 38 AND 51, WHERE HE IS LISTED AS A DIRECTOR OF J AND J CATERING CORPORATION. ALSO MENTIONED IN REPORT OF SA [redacted] DATED 4-9-43 AT NEW YORK ON [redacted] WAS INTERNAL SECURITY R, ESPIONAGE R, CUSTODIAL DETENTION, PAGE 4 AND 25. [redacted] REPORTS HE MET SUBJECT [redacted]

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THROUGH [redacted] CLUB RIVIERA, PALISADE PARK, NEW JERSEY. NEWARK INDICES NEGATIVE ON [redacted] TOLD [redacted] HE WAS CONTEMPLATING PUBLISHING A LABOR NEWS PUBLICATION ENTITLED QUOTE LABOR ANALYSIS UNQUOTE AND ASKED FOR SUPPORT OF SAME BY INFORMANT. INFORMANT ALSO SAID [redacted] CLAIMS HE WAS BEING USED AS A TOOL OF THE COMMUNISTS AT CAFE SOCIETY AND THAT THEY DUPED HIM INTO SIGNING FALSE VOUCHERS, ETC. THIS CAUSED HIM TO RESIGN. [redacted] INFORMANT STATES THAT SINCE THEN [redacted] HAD INDICATED HE HAS A MORTAL FEAR OF THE COMMUNISTS. [redacted] ALSO ALLEGED TO INFORMANT THAT [redacted] CP FUNCTIONARY, MENTIONED IN THE LIFE ARTICLE, TOLD HIM THAT THE CP HAD A PERSON WORKING FOR THE FBI WHO FURNISHED THE CP WITH ANY FILES WANTED. [redacted] SAID THAT FOR THIS REASON [redacted] IS AFRAID TO TALK TO THE FBI UNLESS [redacted] CAN VOUCH FOR THEIR ASSETS HE DOES NOT WANT TO BE INTERVIEWED IN NEW YORK, [redacted] STATES HE WILL ARRANGE A MEETING WITH [redacted] IN NEW JERSEY AND THAT HE BELIEVES [redacted] COULD FURNISH CONSIDERABLE INFORMATION ABOUT COMMUNISM AND RUSSIAN ESPIONAGE IF HIS CONFIDENCE IS WON. UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY BY AUGUST 6, [redacted] WILL BE DISCREETLY INTERVIEWED WITH A VIEW TO DEVELOPING HIM AS AN INFORMANT. EXPEDITE LETTER FOLLOWING.

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cc - Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TAMM

DATE: October 21,

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT:

ASAC Belmont telephonically advised in connection with the matter that he, had finally furnished the name of the individual who stated she had made her contact with and that it was this individual who in turn allegedly has contact in the FBI. advised that stated that had contact in the FBI whereby he could get for her an entire file in which she was interested. His telephone number is supposed to be which is an unlisted telephone in the name of , New York.

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Mr. Belmont stated that a check of the New York files fails to reveal any information on a however, New York is immediately starting a discreet investigation concerning him. The Bureau files are likewise being checked on this individual.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

DATE: October 23, 1946

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: ALLEGED COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO THE FBI

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Reference is made to the telephone call from ASAC Belmont of the New York Office to the Bureau in connection with the [redacted] matter wherein the Bureau was advised that [redacted] was reported to be a contact of [redacted] and who could obtain for her an entire file of the FBI. His telephone is supposed to be [redacted] which is an unlisted telephone in the name of [redacted] New York.

The Bureau files were checked in the names of [redacted] and [redacted] with negative results. The Bureau files reflected no information on the name of [redacted] or phonetic spellings. There were several references to the name of [redacted] However, none of these references pertained to [redacted] New York, and none could be associated with the above [redacted] because of lack of identifiable information. b7C b7D

As soon as additional information is received concerning these two individuals from the New York Field Office, another thorough check of the Bureau files will be made.

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